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## **MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN....07-03**

### **Subj: 4 – HOUR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFERS**

As advised in Marine Safety Information Bulletin 06-03, the Homeland Security Advisory System was lowered from High (Orange) to Elevated (Yellow) on April 15, 2003, and the U. S. Coast Guard has lowered its maritime homeland security posture from MARSEC II to MARSEC I.

Upon review of our current port security posture, I will no longer require a 4-hour advance notification of lube oil or bilge/slop oil transfers to and from towing vessels and vessel-to-vessel transfers, e.g. midstream refueling operations, in the Port of Huntington. However notification of those transfers must still be communicated to the Marine Safety Office as soon as possible so we may continue to collect important data crucial to our efforts in the area of port security.

All other applicable transfers at fixed waterfront facilities must still provide this office with the required 4-Hour Advance Notification of Transfers as detailed in Marine Safety Information Bulletin 18-02.

If you have any comments or concerns you may contact my Chief of Port Operations or the Command at (304) 529-5524.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. D. Stroh".

L. D. Stroh  
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